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SUBJ: CERP/EAL: LEBANON'S "THIRD REFINERY" PLANNING REPORTED
EXPANDING

REF BEIRUT 10774, PARA2; CERP 7000

FOLLOWING VISIT BY SAUDI OILMIN YAMANI (SEPTTEL),
PRIME MINISTER SOLH TOLD PRESS THAT CONSIDERATION
BEING GIVEN TO EXPANDING REFINERY CAPACITY FROM TWO
MILION TO 7-10 MIL TONS, ACCORDING L'ORIENT LE JOUR. HE SAID
THE TECHNICAL COMMISSION WILL COMPLETE ITS STUDIES IN ABOUT
TWO WEEKS. THE NEWSPAPER FURTHER QUOTED INFORMED SOURCES AS SAYING
THAT A REFINERY SITE WILL BE CHOSEN SHORTLY.

COMMENT: CANNOT VOUCH FOR ACCURACY ABOVE REPORT BUT
RECOMMEND INTERESTED FIRMS BE INFORMED OF ABOVE AND
ADVISED KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PROJECT. IN OUR VIEW,
PROBABILITY THAT EXPORT REFINERY OF SOME SORT WILL
BE BUILT IN LEBANON HAS BEEN INCREASED BY RECENT
OIL PRICE INCREASES AND BY PLANS FOR SUCH REFINERIES
IN SYRIA AND EGYPT.
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